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## METHOD AND COMPOSITION FOR THE DIAGNOSIS OF EQUINE INFECTIOUS ANEMIA VIRUS DISEASE BY USING THE RECOMBINANT CAPSID PROTEIN VIRUS (P26)

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